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Programme of meetings and agenda

Official meetings

[There are no official meetings scheduled at Headquarters *today*, 27 December 2012.]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

[No Spokesperson's noon briefing and press conferences are scheduled *today*, 27 December 2012.]

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Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-seventh session

Announcements

The agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/251 (see document A/67/252 for the allocation of items). Annotations can be found in document A/67/100 and A/67/100/Add.1.

The following agenda items remain for consideration during its sixty-seventh session, apart from organizational matters and items that may have to be considered by operation of the rules of procedure of the Assembly: agenda items 9, 11, 13 to 15, 20 (a) and (h), 30, 31, 33 to 37, 39, 40, 42 to 48, 54, 56, 60, 63 (a) and (b), 70 (a) to (c), 74, 94 (b), 106, 107, 110 (a), (b) and (c), 111 (f), (g) and (h), 112 to 117, 118 (a) and (b), 119, 120, 121 (a), (b), (e), (g), (i), (p), (q), (r), (s) and (v), 122, 124 to 126, 128 (a) to (r), 129 to 157, 158 (a) and (b), and 159 to 164.

Please note that there is no predetermined programme of work for formal and informal meetings of the plenary for the resumed part of the session (1 January – 16 September 2013). Meetings will be announced in the *Journal* when they are scheduled.

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3818 (room S-3053). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

Economic and Social Council

Organizational session for 2013

The Economic and Social Council will hold a meeting on Friday, 25 January 2013, at 10:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB), to elect the President and other members of its Bureau for 2013. The provisional annotated agenda for the organizational session will be issued in document E/2013/2.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, of the United Nations Population Fund and of the United Nations Office for Project Services

In accordance with Executive Board decision 2006/14 and rule 7 of the rules of procedure, the Executive Board will hold a formal meeting for the purpose of electing a new President and other members of the Bureau, on Monday, 7 January 2013, from 11:30 to 12:30, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Pre-session informal consultation

A pre-session informal consultation of the Executive Board will take place on Monday, 14 January 2013, from 10:30 to 11:30, followed by an informal consultation on draft decisions, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

First regular session 2013

The first regular session 2013 of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS will be held from Monday, 28 January, to Friday, 1 February 2013, in Conference Room 2 (NLB). The provisional agenda, list of documents and workplan for the session are contained in document DP/2013/L.1.

Member States, as well as observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board (e-mail marcela.romero@undp.org; fax 1 (212) 906-5634), as early as possible, *but no later than Monday, 21 January 2013*.

The upcoming first regular session 2013 will be the first PaperSmart session of the Executive Board. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal. Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements by e-mail to the PaperSmart Secretariat (e-mail papersmart@un.org), at least two hours in advance of their speaking slot. The statements will be distributed electronically via the PaperSmart Portal at the time of delivery, and will be under embargo until then. Delegations are kindly requested to provide 15 hard copies of official statements for interpretation and other services. Please note that hard copies of statements will not be distributed by conference services during the session.

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Joint meeting

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP will take place on Monday, 4 February 2013, in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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Briefing to Member States and Permanent Observers on "Activities of the United Nations Counter-Terrorism Center (UNCCT)/Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF) Office"

Wednesday, 16 January 2013, from 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Nargiza Turapova, UNCCT/CTITF (e-mail turapova@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5658).]

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in Room DC2-1142, in English, on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Overview of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library resources and databases (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Wednesday, 9 January 2013.

Overview of the Legal Library (from 16:00 to 17:00)

Tuesday, 15 January 2013.

Advanced research using subscription databases (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Wednesday, 23 January 2013.

Security Council documentation (new) (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 24 January 2013.

Introduction to United Nations documents (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Friday, 25 January 2013.

Introduction to e-Books (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 31 January 2013.

United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, 2013

Applications for the 2013 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, scheduled to be held at the Peace Palace in The Hague, Netherlands, from Monday, 24 June, to Friday, 2 August 2013, are now being accepted. The deadline for applications is *Thursday, 31 January 2013*.

The Fellowship Programme will be conducted in English this year. For further information, including application forms, please consult the International Law Fellowship Programme Web site at www.un.org/law/ilfp; or contact the Codification Division (e-mail ilfp@un.org).

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 24 December 2012

General Assembly

Sixty-seventh session

62nd plenary meeting

Programme of work

The General Assembly was informed that the consideration of draft decision A/67/L.48 was postponed to a later date to be announced.

The President made a concluding statement on the work of the General Assembly during the main part of the sixty-seventh session.

The meeting was suspended.

The meeting was resumed.

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [item 69 (b)]

(a) Report of the Third Committee (A/67/457/Add.2, draft resolution XVI)

(b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/67/670)

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 69.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution XVI recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 137 of its report (A/67/457/Add.2) (resolution 67/232).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 69.

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [item 69 (c)]

(a) Report of the Third Committee (A/67/457/Add.3, draft resolution I)

(b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/67/672)

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 69.

The representative of Saudi Arabia made a statement in explanation of vote before adoption.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution I recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 29 of its report (A/67/457/Add.3) (resolution 67/233).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 69 and of agenda item 69 as a whole.

General and complete disarmament [item 94]

(a) Report of the First Committee (A/67/409, draft resolution IV)

(b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/67/671)

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 94.

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on draft resolution IV recommended by the First Committee in its report (A/67/409), as follows:

	Yes	*No*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution IV (recorded vote) Operative paragraph 2	126	1	21
Draft resolution II (recorded vote) Operative paragraph 3	123	1	24
Draft resolution IV (recorded vote) As a whole (resolution 67/234)	133	0	17

The observer of the Observer State of the Holy See made a statement.

The representative of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 94.

Reports of the Fifth Committee

The Rapporteur of the Fifth Committee introduced the reports of the Committee on agenda items 128 to 131, 133, 134, 137, 138, 141 to 145 and 153.

Under rule 66 of the rules of procedure, the General Assembly decided not to discuss the reports of the Fifth Committee which were before the Assembly.

Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors: report of the Fifth Committee (A/67/666) [item 128]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/67/666), the text of which, for the time being, was contained in document A/C.5/67/L.8 (resolution 67/235).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 128.

Programme planning: report of the Fifth Committee (A/67/668) [item 131]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report A/67/668, the text of which, for the time being, was contained in document A/C.5/67/L.10 (resolution 67/236).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 131.

Pattern of conferences: report of the Fifth Committee (A/67/664) [item 133]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report A/67/664, the text of which, for the time being, was contained in document A/C.5/67/L.5 (resolution 67/237).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 133.

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/67/502/Add.1) [item 134]

The representative of Monaco made a statement in explanation of vote before adoption.

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report A/67/502/Add.1, the text of which, for the time being, was contained in document A/C.5/67/L.6 (resolution 67/238).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 134.

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of United Nations peacekeeping operations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/67/665) [item 145]

The President made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report A/67/665, the text of which, for the time being, was contained in document A/C.5/67/L.7 (resolution 67/239).

The representative of Oman made a statement in explanation of vote after adoption.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 145.

United Nations common system: report of the Fifth Committee (A/67/678) [item 137]

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report A/67/678, the text of which, for the time being, was contained in document A/C.5/67/L.14.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 137.

United Nations pension system: report of the Fifth Committee (A/67/667) [item 138]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report A/67/667, the text of which, for the time being, was contained in document A/C.5/67/L.9 (resolution 67/240).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 138.

Administration of justice at the United Nations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/67/669) [item 141]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report A/67/669, the text of which, for the time being, was contained in document A/C.5/67/L.11 (resolution 67/241).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 141.

Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994: report of the Fifth Committee (A/67/674) [item 142]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report A/67/674, the text of which, for the time being, was contained in document A/C.5/67/L.15 (resolution 67/242).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 142.

Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991: report of the Fifth Committee (A/67/675) [item 143]

The representative of the Russian Federation made a statement, in the course of which he introduced an oral amendment to the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/67/675), the text of which, for the time being, was contained in document A/C.5/67/L.16.

The representative of Cyprus made a statement.

By 17 votes to 59, with 65 abstentions (recorded vote), the oral amendment was not adopted.

By 139 votes to none, with 12 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/67/675), the text of which, for the time being, was contained in document A/C.5/67/L.16 (resolution 67/243).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 143.

Financing of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals: report of the Fifth Committee (A/67/676) [item 144]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report A/67/676, the text of which, for the time being, was contained in document A/C.5/67/L.17 (resolution 67/244).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 144.

Financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste: report of the Fifth Committee (A/67/663) [item 153]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report A/67/663, the text of which, for the time being, was contained in document A/C.5/67/L.4 (resolution 67/245).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 153.

Programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013: report of the Fifth Committee (A/67/677) [item 130]

The representative of Cuba made a statement, in the course of which he requested a separate vote on section I of draft resolution I recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 33 of its report (A/67/677).

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran made a statement in explanation of vote before the vote.

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 33 of its report (A/67/677), as follows:

	Yes	*No*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution I (the text of which, for the time being, was contained in A/C.5/67/L.18) (recorded vote)			
Section I	113	12	22
As a whole (resolution 67/246)		Adopted	
Draft resolution II (the text of which, for the time being, was contained in A/C.5/67/L.19) (resolution 67/247)		Adopted	

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a statement in explanation of vote after the vote.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 130.

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/67/673) [item 129]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/67/673), the text of which, for the time being, was contained in document A/C.5/67/L.13 (resolution 67/248).

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 9 of its report (A/67/673), the text of which, for the time being, was contained in document A/C.5/67/L.20.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 129.

Administrative and budgetary coordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency: report of the Fifth Committee (A/67/662) [item 139]

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report A/67/662, the text of which, for the time being, was contained in document A/C.5/67/L.3.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 139.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of the reports of the Fifth Committee before it.

Election of five members of the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission [item 110 (c)]

The General Assembly decided to proceed to the election on the basis of dispensing with the secret ballot.

Since the number of candidates from among the Asia-Pacific States and the Latin American and Caribbean States corresponded to the number of seats to be filled, the General Assembly declared elected Brazil, Malaysia and Peru as members of the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission for a two-year term of office, beginning on 1 January 2013.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 110.

Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences: note by the Secretary-General (A/67/107) [item 111 (f)]

The General Assembly took note of the appointment by the President of the General Assembly of Côte d'Ivoire and Senegal as members of the Committee on Conferences for a period of three years, beginning on 1 January 2013.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (f) of agenda item 111.

International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 [item 124]

(a) Letter from the Secretary-General (A/67/602)

(b) Letter from the President of the Security Council (A/67/652)

(c) Draft decision (A/67/L.51)

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement on programme budget implications of draft decision A/67/L.51.

The General Assembly adopted draft decision A/67/L.51.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 124.

International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 [item 125]

(a) Letter from the Secretary-General (A/67/574)

(b) Letter from the President of the Security Council (A/67/653)

(c) Draft decision (A/67/L.52)

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement on programme budget implications of draft decision A/67/L.52.

The General Assembly adopted draft decision A/67/L.52.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 125.

Programme of work

The General Assembly took note that agenda items 9, 11, 13 to 15, 20 (a) and (h), 30, 31, 33 to 37, 39, 40, 42 to 48, 54, 56, 60, 63 (a) and (b), 70 (a) to (c), 74, 94 (b), 106, 107, 110 (a), (b) and (c), 111 (f), (g) and (h), 112 to 117, 118 (a) and (b), 119, 120, 121 (a), (b), (e), (g), (i), (p), (q), (r), (s) and (v), 122, 124 to 126, 128 (a) to (r), 129 to 157, 158 (a) and (b), and 159 to 164 remained open for consideration during the sixty-seventh session.

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

22nd meeting

The Chair of the Committee called to order the 22nd meeting of the Fifth Committee.

Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors [item 128]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item and had before it draft resolution A/C.5/67/L.8, which had been coordinated by the representative of Egypt, on behalf of the Chair of the Committee.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representative of Switzerland made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this item at this stage.

Programme planning [item 131]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item and had before it draft resolution A/C.5/67/L.10, which had been coordinated by the representative of Kenya, on behalf of the Chair of the Committee.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this item at this stage.

Pattern of conferences [item 133]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item and had before it draft resolution A/C.5/67/L.5, which had been coordinated by the representative of Senegal, on behalf of the Chair of the Committee.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this item at this stage.

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [item 134]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item and had before it draft resolution A/C.5/67/L.6, which had been coordinated by the representative of Bangladesh, on behalf of the Chair of the Committee.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this item at this stage.

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations peacekeeping operations [item 145]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item and had before it draft resolution A/C.5/67/L.7, which had been coordinated by the representative of Norway, on behalf of the Chair of the Committee.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, the Chair made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this item at this stage.

United Nations pension system [item 138]

The Committee resumed its consideration of these agenda items and had before it draft resolution A/C.5/67/L.9, which had been coordinated by the representative of Switzerland, on behalf of the Chair of the Committee.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of these items, at this stage.

Administration of justice at the United Nations [item 141]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item and had before it draft resolution A/C.5/67/L.11, which had been coordinated by the representative of Canada, on behalf of the Chair of the Committee.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this item at this stage.

Financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste [item 153]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item and had before it draft resolution A/C.5/67/L.4, which had been coordinated by the representative of Saudi Arabia and Vice-Chair of the Committee.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this item at this stage.

United Nations Common System [item 137]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item and had before it draft decision A/C.5/67/L.14, which had been submitted by the Chair of the Committee.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft decision.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this item at this stage.

Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian law committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible Genocide and Other Such Violations committee in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 [item 142]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item and had before it draft resolution A/C.5/67/L.15, which had been coordinated by the representative of Ecuador, on behalf of the Chair of the Committee.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this item at this stage.

Financing of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals [item 144]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item and had before it draft resolution A/C.5/67/L.17, which had been coordinated by the representative of Ecuador, on behalf of the Chair of the Committee.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this item at this stage.

Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 [item 143]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item and had before it draft resolution A/C.5/67/L.16, which had been coordinated by the representative of Ecuador, on behalf of the Chair of the Committee.

Before the consideration of the draft resolution, the representative of the Russian Federation made a statement and proposed an oral amendment to the draft resolution.

The representative of Sweden requested a recorded vote on the oral amendment proposed by the representative of the Russian Federation.

The Committee then proceeded to vote on the oral amendment which was not adopted by a recorded vote of 59 votes against, 17 votes in favour, with 58 abstentions.

The representative of the Russian Federation requested a recorded vote on the draft resolution A/C.5/67/L.16 as a whole.

The Committee then proceeded to vote on the draft resolution as whole which was adopted by a recorded vote of 135 votes in favour, to none and 12 abstentions.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this item at this stage.

Programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013 [item 130]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Questions relating to the programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013

The Committee had before it draft resolution A/C.5/67/L.18 (sections I to IX) which had been coordinated by the representatives of the Netherlands, Austria, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Antigua and Barbuda and Belgium, on behalf of the Chair of the Committee, as well as the representative of Hungary, Vice-Chair of the Committee.

Before consideration of the draft resolution, the representative of Cuba (also on behalf of Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Ecuador, Nicaragua and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)), proposed an oral amendment to Section I of the draft resolution.

The representatives of Denmark, Canada and Cyprus requested a recorded vote on the oral amendment proposed by the representative of Cuba and also made an explanation of the vote before the vote.

The Committee then proceeded to vote on the oral amendment proposed to Section I of draft resolution A/C.5/67/L.18, which was not adopted by a recorded vote of 73 votes against, 14 votes in favour, with 56 abstentions.

A statement in explanation of vote after the vote was made by the representative of Nicaragua (also on behalf of Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Cuba, Iran (Islamic Republic of) and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)).

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.5/67/L.18, as a whole, without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution as a whole, the representative of Cuba made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this question.

Programme budget implications

The Chair of the Committee drew the attention of the Committee to document A/C.5/67/L.12 (sections A to C), which contained three draft decisions on statements of

programme budget implications which had been submitted by the representative of Antigua and Barbuda, on behalf of the Chair of the Committee.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft decision.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this question.

Draft report

The Committee approved, without a vote, the draft report of the Fifth Committee contained in document A/C.5/67/L.19 which had been submitted by the Secretariat, on behalf of the Rapporteur of the Committee (United Republic of Tanzania).

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this item at this stage.

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations [item 129]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Proposed programme budget outline for the biennium 2014-2015

The Committee had before it draft resolution A/C.5/67/L.13, which had been submitted by the Chair of the Committee.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this question.

Questions deferred for future consideration

The Committee had before it draft decision A/C.5/67/L.20 submitted by the Chair.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, draft decision A/C.5/67/L.20.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this item at this stage.

Closure of the work of the Fifth Committee during the main part of the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly

Concluding statements were made by the representatives the United States, Pakistan, Algeria, the Republic of Korea, Norway, India, Cameroon, the Russian Federation and Malaysia.

The Chair made a concluding statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products (Seoul, 12 November 2012)

Opening for signature

The Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products, which was adopted during the fifth session of the Conference of the Parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, by decision FCTC/COP5 (1) of 12 November 2012, will be open

for signature at a signing ceremony to be held in Geneva, Switzerland, on Thursday, 10, and Friday, 11 January 2013, and, thereafter, at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

In accordance with its article 43, the Protocol shall be open for signature by all parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control at World Health Organization Headquarters in Geneva on Thursday, 10, and Friday, 11 January 2013, and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters in New York until Wednesday, 9 January 2014.

Certified true copies of the Protocol, of which the Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, are being printed and will be transmitted to all States as soon as possible. Electronic certified true copies of the Protocol are posted in the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site (please *click here*).

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The Secretary-General would be obliged if parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control wishing to sign the Protocol could, as necessary, provide the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters in New York (fax 1 (212) 963-3693).

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